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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary  
Department of Telecommunications & Energy  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
One South Station, Second Floor  
Boston, MA 02110

**Re: D.T.E. 98-57, Phase III**

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing for informational purposes in the above-referenced matter is a copy of the August 9, 2002, tariff filing<sup>1</sup> made by the Verizon Telephone Companies with the Federal Communication Commission ("FCC") to introduce Packet at Remote Terminal Service ("PARTS"), an access service that uses Digital Subscriber Line ("DSL") technology. Pursuant to Verizon's proposed tariffs, PARTS would be provided only to locations served by DSL-equipped remote terminals and serving wire centers. As a wholesale service offering, PARTS availability would be further limited to competitive (collocated) carriers, and would not be made available to affiliated or non-affiliated Internet Service Providers.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Barbara Anne Sousa

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<sup>1</sup> This includes revised pages in Verizon's access service tariffs (Tariff FCC Nos. 1 and 11), the description and justification for the service offering, and supporting cost documentation that has been redacted to exclude confidential cost information in accordance with FCC procedures.

Enclosure

cc: Jesse Reyes, Esquire, Hearing Officer  
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Attached Service List